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By Kathleen L. Boekley

Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed May 6, 2004, with a shortened statutory period set to expire August 6, 2004. This paper is filed within the set period for response such that no extension of time is necessary.

Please consider the following amendments and remarks:

The claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.